

## House Resolution No. 238

**Whereas**, Bernice Hanna enjoys considerable distinction as a resident of Maryville, Missouri, who has attained her Ninety-fifth Birthday; and

**Whereas**, born on January 1, 1909, Bernice Hanna grew up three miles south of the community of Pickering, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, on her birthday in 1930, Bernice married her beloved Edison Hanna with whom she spent sixty wonderful years before their blessed relationship was ended by his passing; and

**Whereas**, in addition to a daughter-in-law, Vonita Hanna of Savannah, Bernice Hanna is delighted to have the opportunity to spoil ten grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Bernice Hanna remains an active gardener who raises plants in washtubs placed on stands so that she doesn't have to bend down to deliver her loving care and attention; and

**Whereas**, Bernice Hanna has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for her doll collection; ability to repair and renovate dolls by washing and curling their hair, fashioning a new arm or leg from clay, sanding the face and painting new features, and then sewing or crocheting a new outfit; and skills in making dolls from Mrs. Butterworth syrup bottles, detergent bottles, dowels, and other materials; and

**Whereas**, Bernice Hanna is also known for decoupageing trays and wooden "books", and for her love of clocks; and

**Whereas**, when Edison was alive, Bernice Hanna would paint the woodworking projects which he had created with attention to details; and

**Whereas**, one of Bernice Hanna's favorite crafts involves making Santa Clauses from dried gourds, cypress knees, or porch posts:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the arrival of the Ninety-fifth Birthday of Bernice Hanna of Maryville and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations for remaining active and creative as a senior citizen; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Bernice Hanna, as a measure of our esteem for her and her lifelong achievements.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brad Lager  
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 238, adopted January 29, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker